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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: STEPHEN W. DOWNING

ART UNIT: 3731

SERIAL NO.: 09/881,045

EXAMINER: NGUYEN, VICTOR

FILING DATE: JUNE 15, 2001

FOR: APPARATUSES AND METHODS FOR PERFORMING MINIMALLY
INVASIVE DIAGNOSTIC AND SURGICAL PROCEDURES INSIDE OF A
BEATING HEART

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

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SIR:

It is hereby requested that a ☒ one ☐ two ☐ three ☐ four ☐ five

☐ second ☐ third ☐ fourth ☐ fifth (a ____-month extension and fee having been filed on _____)

month extension of time be granted to June 23, 2003 for:

☒ filing a response to the Official Action dated: April 23, 2003

☐ responding to the requirements in the Notice of Allowability dated:

☐ filing the Formal Drawings. The Issue Fee due has been timely filed.

☐ responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated:

☐ filing a Notice of Appeal. A timely response to the final rejection, due has been filed.

☐ filing an Appeal Brief. A Notice of Appeal was filed on:

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The required fee of \$55.00 is enclosed herewith by check and any further charges may be made against the Attorney of Record's Deposit Account No. 50-1442. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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